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As a below mext to my name; I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "FUNCTIONAL HANDPICE HAVING A LIGHT EMISSION ELEMENT AT ITS FORWARD END," the specification of which was filed on August 19, 2003, as Application Serial No. 10/643,709, and was amended on August 19, 2003. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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